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Title: COCHLEAR IMPLANTS WITH A STIMULUS IN THE HUMAN
ULTRASONIC RANGE AND METHOD FOR STIMULATING A
COCHLEA

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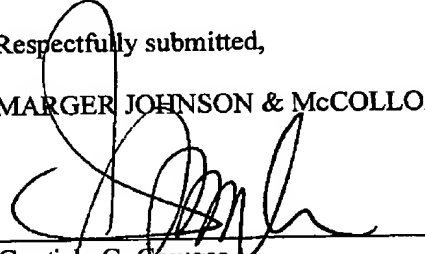
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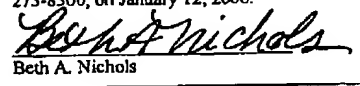
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Proposed Date of Interview: Thursday, January 19, 2006
Proposed Time: 9 AM Pacific Time/12 PM Eastern Time
Type of Interview Requested: Telephonic
Exhibit to be shown or demonstrated? No
If yes, provide brief description:

Issues to be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/Figs. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
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Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented: See Amendment mailed June 1, 2005.

An interview was conducted for the above-identified application on

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